

Fremont County



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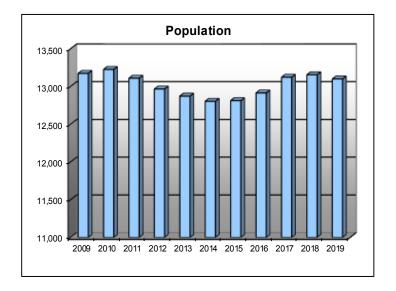
Population

Fremont County's population grew to 13,099people between 2009 and 2019. The county experienced modest decline over the last decade as tourism-related industries benefit from a close proximity to Yellowstone National Park. Fremont County is part the Rexburg Micropolitan Statistical Area.

St. Anthony, the county seat, has a population of 3,553. Ashton, the second largest city, had a population of 1,050 in 2019.

Concentrated economic development efforts and the change from a two-year community college to four-year Brigham Young University-Idaho in neighboring Madison County initially contributed to continued growth in the southern end of the county. From 2005 to 2010 the county's population increased 5 percent. Beginning in 2011, however, population declined each year as people moved more toward urban areas until 2015. The last two years population has flattened.

Workforce Trends



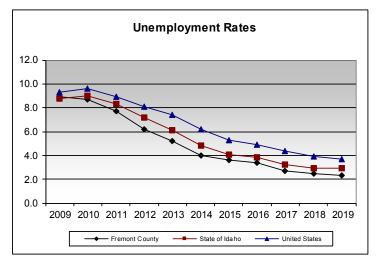
Labor Force & Employment

Fremont County, bordering Montana and Wyoming, has three significant cities on U.S. Highway 20, which is heavily traveled by tourists headed for Yellowstone National Park, Henry's Lake and Harriman State Park. The county attracts many locals to its recreation areas but also draws national and international tourists.

The closure of a sawmill in the 1980s and relocation of the U.S. Forest Service office to nearby Idaho Falls several years ago hurt the local economy, and rebounding has been difficult. Economic development initiatives are currently underway to strengthen the counties in and around the Teton Valley and Yellowstone.

Since 2008, the unemployment rates have fluctuated from a low of 3.3 percent in 2007 to a high of 8.9 in 2009. The labor force has remained strong, growing 35 percent

Labor Force	Aug 19	Aug 20
Civilian Labor Force	7,892	8,103
Total Employment	7,721	7,875
Unemployed	171	228
% of Labor Force Unemployed	2.2	2.8
State of Idaho % Unemployed	2.9	4.2
U.S. % Unemployed	3.7	8.4



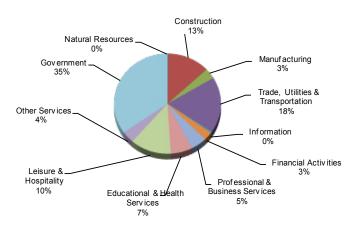
over the last decade. Fremont County's annual unemployment rate for 2019 was 2.3 percent, a record low.

Government provides the most nonfarm payroll jobs, primarily through the state Juvenile Correction Center in St. Anthony. Federal and state governments together own 70 percent of the land so land management agencies employ many workers. Trade, construction and leisure and hospitality also account for large percentages of the county's jobs.

Labor Force	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Civilian Labor Force	5,552	6,746	6,707	6,928	6,915	6,975	7,180	7,382	7,613	7,776	7,870
Unemployment	494	584	519	428	363	282	256	248	203	192	184
% of Labor Force Unemployed	8.9	8.7	7.7	6.2	5.2	4.0	3.6	3.4	2.7	2.5	2.3
Employment	5,059	6,162	6,188	6,500	6,552	6,693	6,924	7,134	7,410	7,584	7,686

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Nonfarm Payroll Jobs for 2019



Covered Employment & Wages

Average covered employment decreased 59 from 2007 to 2017. The annual average wage increased \$7,244 in the decade. Average wages between 2016 and 2017 rose the most in information; professional and business services and education and health services. Agriculture, other services and government record a drop in covered wages. Eight of the 12 sectors posted employment gains between 2016 and 2017.

Although quite a bit lower than the state or national averages, per capita income has increased steadily from \$25,838 in 2009 to \$36,908 in 2018.

Major Employers
Ashton Memorial Nursing Home
Broulim's Foodtown
Fremont County
Fremont County Joint School District #215
Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections
Fall River Rural Electric Coop
U.S. Department of Agriculture / Forest Service
Walters Produce, Inc.

Southeast Idaho Occupational Wages*	Entry Wages	Median Wages
Automotive Service Techs & Mechanics	\$11.70	\$19.02
Cashiers	\$8.50	\$10.67
Clerks, General Office	\$10.61	\$15.15
Construction Laborers	\$11.00	\$15.08
Cook, Restaurant	\$9.47	\$12.08
Fast Food & Counter Workers	\$8.54	\$10.15
Janitors & Cleaners	\$9.14	\$11.95
Maids & Housekeeping Cleaners	\$8.55	\$10.52
Registered Nurses	\$25.47	\$32.27
Teachers, Elementary	\$37,910	\$55,360
Teachers, Secondary	\$34,030	\$47,820

^{*} Additional occupational wage data can be found on the Idaho Department of Labor website at limitation and limitation limitation was a labor website at limitation and limitation limitation limitation was a labor website at <a href="mailto:limitation:limi

Covered Employment & Average Annual	2009		2018		2019		
Wages Per Job for 2009, 2018 & 2019	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	
	Employment	Wages	Employment	Wages	Employment	Wages	
Total Covered Wages	2,922	\$27,602	3,018	\$34,689	3,139	\$36,218	
Agriculture	336	\$23,681	178	\$31,424	200	\$32,083	
Mining	**	**	**	**	**	**	
Construction	241	\$32,943	353	\$41,420	383	\$45,739	
Manufacturing	46	\$21,865	96	\$25,600	101	\$24,934	
Trade, Utilities, & Transportation	471	\$30,598	526	\$38,248	539	\$42,385	
Information	30	\$26,831	**	**	**	**	
Financial Activities	95	\$31,789	83	\$31,460	76	\$34,360	
Professional and Business Services	52	\$23,897	141	\$39,437	146	\$38,909	
Educational and Health Services	167	\$24,822	191	\$32,101	198	\$34,352	
Leisure and Hospitality	296	\$11,329	335	\$17,970	373	\$18,235	
Other Services	75	\$22,253	81	\$30,408	84	\$30,388	
Government	1,109	\$31,577	1,014	\$37,470	1,024	\$38,017	

Per Capita Income	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fremont County	\$25,838	\$25,441	\$27,762	\$28,210	\$31,340	\$32,060	\$34,269	\$34,533	\$35,350	\$36,908
State of Idaho	\$31,186	\$31,957	\$33,515	\$35,188	\$36,200	\$37,896	\$39,857	\$40,670	\$42,094	\$43,901
United States	\$39,284	\$40,546	\$42,735	\$44,599	\$44,851	\$47,058	\$48,978	\$49,870	\$51,885	\$54,446
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